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Application No. : 09/383,579 Confirmation No: 6768  
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Title : **MODIFICATION OF PLANT FIBRES**  
Art unit : 1638  
Examiner : Stuart F. Baum, Ph.D  
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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL  
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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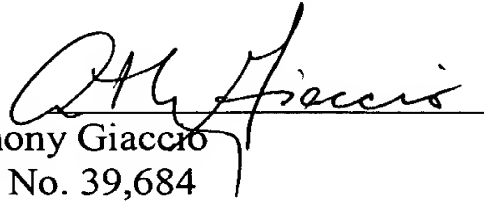
Sir:

Please find an Amendment and Notice of Appeal transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application. Attached to the Amendment, please find a new PTO Form 1449 and copy of a reference previously disclosed to the Examiner on August 26, 2004.

Applicants hereby request a **three-month extension of time** for responding to the Office Action of November 19, 2004 for which a three-month response period, expiring on February 19, 2004, was set. The three-month extended period for response expires on May 19, 2005. Please charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) three-month extension fee of **\$1,020.00** and any other fee that may be required to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,  
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